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Members of the Coeur d'Alene Eagles pose with Mayor Steve Widmyer and Police Chief Lee White during the check presentation ceremony.

Coeur d'Alene Eagles Honor Fallen Police Officer With $7,500 Donation To K27 Memorial Fund

Late last year, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Eagles #576 made a donation of $7,500 to the K27 Memorial Fund, presenting the check to Mayor Steve Widmyer and Police Chief Lee White in a ceremony.

The funds will be used to help construct a Thin Blue Line Memorial River in McEuen Park, in honor of Sergeant Greg Moore, who lost his life in the line of duty more than two years ago.

The K27 movement has taken Kootenai County by storm, with many proud community members displaying special memorial stickers in their car windows.

The river will include three special waterfalls recognizing Respect, Honor and Remembrance, as well as 18 benches for people to use while reflecting on the lives of the many first responders within the community who have lost their lives in service of citizens.

The Idaho Peace Officer Memorial states that 66 members of Idaho law enforcement have died in the line of duty and now, the Eagles are proud to honor those brave men and women through this donation.

Membership Early Bird Contest Runs Through March 26

The Grand Aerie Membership Department is encouraging all members to renew their dues early for a chance to win a $100 cash prize.

Every Eagle whose membership is paid through 2018-2019 by March 26, will be entered to receive one of ten $100 prizes.

Entries will be based on ALL members already renewed, so those who paid in advance for 2018-19 year last year or in a prior year WILL be entered into the contest.

Five Aerie and Five Auxiliary winners will be selected at random and announced on April 1, 2018, on foe.com.

"Early renewals are important in helping us and our respective Aeries or Auxiliaries because they help us decrease costs on dues reminders sent out closer to the renewal date and give all of us more time to focus on increasing our retention rates overall," said Membership Director Vince Kinman. "We wanted to show our appreciation for those who continue to be proud members year after year by rewarding a handful of our early renewals."

Please encourage your fellow members to take advantage of this opportunity by renewing early for the next fraternal year.

If you have questions about the Membership Contest, please contact the Membership Department at 614-883-2177 or via email at membership@foe.com.

Convention Corner

2018 International Convention
Dallas Omni Hotel
Dallas, Texas
July 9-12

Hotel Information

•Reservations are now being accepted at the Omni Hotel for the 2018 Fraternal Order of Eagles International Convention in Dallas, Texas, July 9-12. Rooms are $126/night with the Eagles' rate open to members from Thursday, July 5 through Friday, July 13. Guests arriving before the 5th or departing after the 13th may be subject to regular rates for nights which do not fall within the given window. Guests of the F.O.E. Convention have access to discounted self-parking at a rate of $10 per-night.

Inside the hotel are several great dining options including Bob's Steak and Chop House, Texas Spice, Morsel's coffee shop and the Owners Box sports bar. Guests can visit the signature Mokara Spa, relax on the outdoor pool and terrace deck or take advantage of a state-of-the-art fitness center. Rooms include complimentary coffee and coffeemaker, hair dryer, in-room safe, iron and full-size ironing board, 42" LCD TVs, bedside reading lights and more. Rooms are limited so act now to guarantee your space at the Omni for the 2018 International Convention. We look forward to seeing you in Dallas!

Scooter Rentals

•We are proud to announce that AABCO Ready Rental Sales & Repair will serve as our preferred scooter rental for the 2018 International Convention in Dallas. With more than 40 years of experience, AABCO is Dallas' premier scooter service and offers free guaranteed delivery to the Omni Hotel for advance reservations. To reserve your scooter, call 972-412-3500 or email readyrental@hotmail.com and include your phone number.

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Top Producers/ New Leaders

for November 2017

Aerie:

1. #3957 Cape Coral, FL	56
2. #4538 Yuma, AZ	51
3. #2681 Kirkland, WA	47
3. #486 Coeur d'Alene, ID	47
5. #184 Aspen, CO	46

Auxiliary:

1. #4089 Port Orange, FL	28
2. #925 Grand Haven, MI	23
3. #1387 Buckley, WA	18
3. #204 Wenatchee, WA	18
3. #4408 Palm Harbor, FL	18

Aerie (Individual):

1. Ronald W. Lane	20
Cape Coral, FL #3957	
2. Angela Lamp	16
Newark, OH #3723	
3. David Fischer	15
Louisville, OH #2374	
3. William H. Spires	15
Knoxville, TN #2698	
5. Robert Davison	13
Vero Beach, FL #4374	
5. Larry Clements	13
Port Orange, FL #4469	

Auxiliary (Individual):

1. Dena R. Saylor	12
Wenatchee, WA #204	
2. Judy Lawless	10
Port Orange, FL #4089	
2. Patty Wineinger	10
Seymour, IN #655	
4. Dixie Berry	9
Warsaw, OH #761	
5. Lenny Zuchegno	8
Massillon, OH #2370	
5. Shannon Statler	8
Okanogan, WA #3004	

We Are People Helping People

British Columbia

-Ladysmith Auxiliary #2101 Madam President Sheila Williams and Madam Vice President Arlene Neale presented a check to Louise Baines of the local food bank for $4,037.25 along with 1,000 pounds of food.

California

-Livermore #609 held a fundraiser in the name of longtime member Bruce Orcutt, who recently passed. They raised more than $2,100 for the "Reins In Motion" organization, an equine therapy center for children and returning veterans overcoming disabilities.

-Brisbane #3255 held their annual Diabetes Dinner. Leo and Flor Mahinay and Ana Espena co-chaired the most successful function in years, raising $2,055.

Florida

-Spring Hill Auxiliary #4208 donated $1,400 to the Florida Hospital Tampa Foundation for Muscular Dystrophy and $300 to One Community Now, Inc., for their Pack-A-Sack Program.

-Ormond By The Sea #4435 held a breast cancer fundraiser, collecting $4,505 for the Florida Imaging Center. Each October, Chairperson Lynn Haus and her committee, with the help of the Auxiliary, come together to raise funds for people who cannot afford mammograms.

Oregon

-Oregon Junior Past State President and Crater Lake Aerie #2093 Secretary John King presented checks for $500 from the Aerie and $1,664 from the Past Presidents' Club to the Committee on Memorials and Remembrance, represented by Steve Bates and Oregon State Conductor Steve Wiley. This was to honor Gold Star Families who lost two sons in the Vietnam War. The presentation was held at the Eagles in Medford, honoring the Rowden Family. Signs will be placed on Highway 238 near the boyhood home of James and John Rowden.

Pennsylvania

-Blairsville Eagle Riders #1488 were hard at work during the riding season, hosting a trio of benefit runs and making numerous community donations raising $12,253. In terms of total donations from the Eagle Riders, Aerie and Auxiliary, Blairsville is near eclipsing $20,000 total in 2017.

-Lock Haven Aerie #4298 provided Thanksgiving turkeys and all the trimmings to four area families. Helping to pack were Brad Rote, Judy Lantz, Secretary Marchal Rote, Bonnie Gradel, President Don Troutman and Vice President JoAnn Bowes. Trustee Charlie Clements helped with the delivery. Their members were extremely generous this year and the dinners included 34 different food items.

South Central Region

-During the annual South Central Regional Conference this fall, Regional Charity Directors presented checks for the money raised by them as directors including:

- -$3,720 for the FOE Diabetes Research Center
- -$1,414 for the Vicki Welch Ovarian Cancer Fund
- -$150 for the Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund
- -$370 for the D.D. Dunlap Kidney Fund
- -$510 for the GMP's Charity, Tri-State Honor Flight
- -$150 for the Golden Eagle, Alzheimer's & Parkinson's Funds
- -$140 for the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund
- -$370 for the Lew Reed Spinal Cord Injury Fund
- -$201 for the Max Baer Heart Fund
- -$366 for the Memorial Foundation
- -$648 for the Robert Hansen Diabetes Fund

Virginia

-Petersburg Auxiliary #882 delivered 55 "Blessing Bags" to Pathways, which is an area organization sponsored by local churches to help those in need. It was a rewarding day for the volunteers who could feel the energy and faithfulness of "People Helping People" in their efforts as a part of the week of Movement to End Hunger and Homelessness.

-Members of Spotsylvania #4391 and Fredericksburg #4321, with the help of sisters from around the state of Virginia, donated 40+ baskets to the Hematology-Oncology Associates' Cancer Center in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Patients receiving treatment will be given a blanket to keep and use to stay warm during their treatments.

Indiana

The Ladies' Auxiliaries of Evansville #427 and River City #4023 joined together for a bake sale event to benefit the Weinhandl family. Two-year-old Carlee battles catastrophic epilepsy and cerebral palsy while her father Josh, is recovering from a devastating motorcycle accident. The all-day event included auctions, food trucks, games, cornhole, raffles and 50/50 drawings with live music and more. The event raised more than $5,500 for the family.

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News & Notes

2017 Constitution & Statutes Now Available
Our brand new revised Grand Aerie Constitution & Statutes and Auxiliary Rules & Regulations is now available through the Grand Aerie Supply Department for $6 each. The books are once again spiral bound for easy reading and include all changes through the 2017 International Convention. Aeries and Auxiliaries should each have received two free copies of the revised book by now. If your Aerie or Auxiliary did not receive these complimentary copies, please contact the Grand Secretary's Office at help@foe.com or by phone at 614-883-2200.

Net Gain +2% Membership Campaign
Membership is the lifeblood of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. Grand Worthy President Tom McGrath and Grand Madam President Helen Poehner asking all members to do their part during the 2017-2018 year by signing up new and re-enrolled members to help us reach an annual goal of Net Gain plus 2%. Helping our membership grow is the best way to ensure the longterm success of the F.O.E. Please reach out to someone you know and encourage them to become a member. With your help, we can meet our goal!

Revised Applications Now Available Through Supplies
In an effort to make the Applications easier to fill out and process, we've re-organized the information fields on the Application to flow in a more sensible manner and provide more information to make sure the Rules and Regulations are properly followed by Applicants and Secretaries. Revised versions may be ordered now through the Supply Department at supplies@foe.com or via phone at 614-883-2178.

2018 Eagles Talent Show
Join us in Dallas on Wednesday, July 11, to show off your special talents in the 2018 Eagles Talent Show. Entries will be accepted from members in good standing, their children and their grandchildren. All minors must be accompanied by an adult and all entries must be received by June 20, 2018. Participants must report 30 minutes prior to their assigned performance time. Categories include Vocal (Male), Vocal (Female), Variety, Instrumental and Comedy with four divisions: Adult Group, Adult Solo, Youth Group, Youth Solo. If you have questions about the Talent Show, please contact Carol Inge at 901-616-4701 or carolfinge@gmail.com; Bettie Clark at 870-926-5854 or bettielclark59@aol.com; Hope Mickle at 614-883-2168 or hmickle@foe.com.

Visit the Convention page at foe.com to download the official entry form.